



YEAR OF CORN

AUGUST 8★19

PIONEER VILLAGE ANTIQUE TRACTOR SHOW

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When we talk about corn in Indiana we usually think of “field” corn or the type that is used mainly for animal feed. But there are other types of corn as well. There is sweet corn, the one that you boil in water for a couple of minutes, smear butter and salt on it, and eat to your heart’s delight, getting that butter smeared from ear to ear on your face! Then there is popcorn, that fluffy stuff we eat for our Sunday evening meal, or when we go to the movie show.

Now back to field corn. In the past 50 years or so, many more uses have been discovered for field corn. Number 2 Yellow Corn is no longer the only market for field corn. We have many specialty hybrids. Hybrids that are high in lysine, and others that are grown specifically for their starch, white hybrids that are used as hominy or special flour for tortilla chips, just to name a few..

Today, corn by-products are used to power our automobiles, to make our soft drinks sweet, and thousands of other uses. Some day when you have some extra time, go to the grocery store and check the labels of the different food items on the shelves. You will be amazed. You will find that most of them will have corn of some form named in their list of ingredients. Not only is the grain used for many different purposes, but the lowly corn cob is used in many different ways, as well. One such use is the emery boards that one uses to file fingernails. Even some undergarments contain a chemical which is obtained from corn cobs. (I’d name the chemical, but I don’t know how to spell it!!!)

Indiana farmers annually produce thousands of acres of corn, resulting in millions of dollars of income. The Power of Corn is certainly a major factor in the economy of the state of Indiana.

THIS IS A VERY SPECIAL YEAR



Three very special tractors will be on displayed in the feature circle near the entrance to Pioneer Village. These extremely rare tractors, owned by Wendell Kelch, are immaculately restored to their original condition and colors. They are beautiful, big, and eye catching. Mr. Kelch will be on hand to start them up and to tell people all about them. During demonstrations, he will explain that this equipment was extremely important in taming the prairies and making the land valuable for the production of our food supply. They also will be featured in the Farmers Day Parade. These tractors led to the development of the computerized giants which work the land to produce today’s crops.

The Friction Drive, introduced in 1908, was IH’s first tractor. It consisted of an International “Famous” gasoline engine installed on a Morton traction engine frame.

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The Mogul, and Titan were developed under separate engineering departments within the International Harvester Company in the early 1900's. Even though each were International Harvester tractors, they were intense rivals and competitors.

The 1915 Mogul is a huge 30-60 gas tractor which was sold through McCormick dealers. There were about 800 of them built from 1913 to 1917. They weighed 23,000 pounds and were used to pull the plow to turn the prairie soils. Many of them were also used to power sawmills. Only 5 are known to exist today.

The 1917 Titan is also a 30-60 tractor. The Titans were produced between 1915 and 1917 and sold by Deering dealers. A total of 176 were produced and only 3 are known to have survived. This is the only one that is totally restored.

The exhibit will also feature the complete restoration process. It will not only be interesting to see, but it will be educational-both for the tractor enthusiast and the public in general.

A FEW HELPFUL RULES

For the Antique Tractor Show (including Daily Parades)

1. **Your entry must be postmarked no later than July 15, 2007.**
2. You are limited to two tractors per address (your home). You may show them both or one for you and one for your wife or kid. The entry fee of \$30 is for each individual entrant, not the number of tractors. You will receive a book of six tickets and a parking permit. Additional books of tickets may be purchased at a cost of \$30.00.
3. Tractors must be a 1970 model or older. Garden tractors, homemade, or highly modified machines may not be entered.
4. You may bring towed implements or wagons, but please no huge bulky items. These tools will be parked in a separate area. If you have a mounted tool on your tractor, you will be parked outside the tent unless the total length is less than that of the average tractor.
5. Each driver must have a valid driver's license.
6. **Absolutely no passengers are allowed on the tractor in the Farmers' Day Parade unless it contains a second seat.** Remember, **SAFETY FIRST**, at all times.
7. **PLEASE, NO TRACTORS PRIOR TO SATURDAY, AUGUST 4TH. Bringing your tractor early will not guarantee you a special spot in the building or tent!** Enter gate 16 off of 42nd Street. Drive to the Pioneer Village area to unload. Remove your truck or trailer from the immediate area as soon as you are unloaded. If you intend to leave your truck or trailer at the Fairgrounds, you must take it to the 46th Street parking lot for safe storage. Be sure to have your tractor on the grounds by Tuesday evening, August 7th.

8. The tractor show staff will direct you to your parking spot. Please work with us regarding the parking spot as we expect to be “filled to the gill” again this year. We have the wonderful situation of too many machines for the available space.

9. At times it may be necessary for us to move your tractor, so be sure to leave a key and any special starting information with one of the staff. Only experienced drivers will be allowed to move any tractor.

10. You are encouraged to participate in the evening parade whenever possible. John Stegemoller or Tom Lyle are the parade marshals and will lead the parade. In order to keep the traffic problems and air pollution to a minimum, **do not start your tractor or move it out of your parking space until you are called.**

11. While on the parade route be especially watchful for children and pedestrians. **Please do not throw candy!** The crowding is fearsome and people just don't understand the danger of a clumsy old tractor. Keep the ranks closed in the parade. We have lots of tractors to get through in the short time allotted. This also helps to keep people from walking in front of your tractor.

12. Sunday, August 19th is expected to be one of the biggest crowds of the Fair. People who come that day are entitled to see the entire fair, so **no tractors may be removed prior to 9:00 P.M. on that day.** Park your truck in the Deaf School parking lot and load your tractors in that area. We will have a complete staff of people available on Monday after the Fair, so you may prefer to wait until then to take your tractor home.

13. Plan to participate in the Veterans Parade at 6:30 P.M. on Sunday evening the 19th. This will be a fitting finale to the 2007 Great Indiana State Fair. All of us will be on hand to participate in the finale.

14. We have several groups that have floats to be pulled in the Daily Parades. If you would like to pull one of them, please contact John Stegemoller as he will be handling the project.

15. It is mutually agreed that the Indiana State Fair assumes no liability for loss to property or by reason of any claim for personal injury, including death. The exhibitor herein agrees to release, discharge, and indemnify the Indiana State Fair, its component members, and their successors from liability by reason of injury to property and/or persons, including death, which may occur within or upon the premises herein described in any manner connected with use thereof by exhibitor.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

The deadline for entry this year is July 15. As in the past the entry fee is \$30 and may include up to 2 tractors per entrant. A maximum of 2 tractors will be accepted from any one address.

If an entry form is postmarked July 16 through August 1 a late fee of \$50 (plus the \$30 entry fee) will be charged. NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER AUGUST 1, 2007.

THE ANTIQUE TRACTOR GAMES

At the time of this writing, there are no plans for antique tractor games. One of the holdups is that we do not know whether the grandstand area will be available for them. If there is sufficient interest, we will try to put together some games some place. Please let us know of your interest and we will see what we can do.

THE PARTICIPATION PLAQUE

Once again we are presenting a beautiful plaque to a tractor exhibitor. A committee will determine the winner, based on the exhibitor's dedication to presenting their tractor in an attractive and explicit fashion and in keeping with the theme. In addition the committee will be looking for an individual or family who embraces the spirit of the Pioneer Village, is active in the many activities of the organization and is a great representative of the agriculture profession.

The presentation will be made at the tractor exhibitor's hog roast on Saturday, August 18.

PIONEER VILLAGE ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY • JULY 15

Tractor Entry Deadline

WEDNESDAY • AUGUST 1

Cutoff Date for Entries

SATURDAY THRU TUESDAY • AUGUST 4, 5, 6, 7

Bring your tractor to the fairgrounds

AUGUST 8-12

Farm Toy Show

WEDNESDAY • AUGUST 8, 5:00 P.M.

John and Mike's Chili Supper (Donation)

FRIDAY • AUGUST 10, 5:00 P.M.

Phyllis Kingen's Cream Can Supper (Donation)

SUNDAY • AUGUST 12, 5:00 P.M.

Jim Bob's Sheep Roast (Donation)

MONDAY • AUGUST 13, 5:00 P.M.

Louis Turner's Hog Roast (Free)

WEDNESDAY • AUGUST 15, 10:00 A.M.

Farmers Day Parade

THURSDAY • AUGUST 16

Old Time Farm Breakfast, 7:00 A.M. (Donation)

Sharon's Stone Soup Supper, 5:00 P.M. (Donation)

FRIDAY • AUGUST 17, 5:00 P.M.

National Championship Bean Supper (Donation)

SATURDAY • AUGUST 18

Old Time Farm Auction, 10:00 A.M.

Tractor Exhibitors' Hog Roast, 5:00 P.M. (Donation)

SUNDAY • AUGUST 19

Veterans' Grand Finale Parade, 6:30 P.M.

Exhibits Close, 9:00 P.M.

Tractors Released, 9:00 P.M.

MONDAY & TUESDAY • AUGUST 20 AND 21

PUT EVERYTHING AWAY

Victory Luncheon